



# AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## ALAC Statement

### On New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations

#### Introduction

By the Staff of ICANN

The attached statement on the New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations was drafted by Alan Greenberg, Vice Chair of the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) and ALAC Liaison to the Generic Names Supporting Organisation (GNSO).

The draft statement was submitted for review to the wider At-Large community on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 and discussed on the mailing list.

On May 14<sup>th</sup>, the Chair of the ALAC asked the Staff to start a five-day online vote on the ALAC Statement on the New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations.

By May 16<sup>th</sup> the ALAC vote on the Statement on the New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations had reached quorum and was adopted ([click here](#) to review the results of the vote). The Statement was submitted to the [public consultation process New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations](#) with a copy going to the ICANN Board of directors.

[End of Introduction]

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## **ALAC Statement on New GNSO Council Work Prioritization Process Recommendations**

The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) strongly supports the efforts of the GNSO to prioritize its work, and ultimately to develop processes which will allow the GNSO and ICANN to better manage its limited volunteer and staff resources.

The report is not completely clear in regard to whether the ALAC Liaison to the GNSO is a full participant in the prioritization process. However, based on the following, our understanding is that this is the intent.

- The new Bylaws governing the GNSO state "Liaisons shall not be members of or entitled to vote, to make or second motions, or to serve as an officer on the GNSO Council, but otherwise liaisons shall be entitled to participate on equal footing with members of the GNSO Council."
- We have confirmed with the Chairs of both the GNSO and the Work Process Model Drafting Team that it is the intent to have the ALAC Liaison (and presumably all Liaisons) participate fully in the prioritization process.
- The recent ALAC Review, in its recommendation 13 said "Processes for providing advice on policy should be strengthened within ALAC for the development of policy advice, within SOs for requesting input from ALAC on policy issues and from SOs, ACs and the Board to provide feedback on how ALAC advice has been used."

To avoid any misunderstanding in the future, it would be useful if future versions of the Work Prioritization Process document make it clear that Liaisons are full participants in the prioritization process.